



Torridon
Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your support and generosity for this year's Children in Need appeal. The children have had a great week, working out with Joe Wicks, talking about their thoughts and feelings and challenging themselves to try something new.

This morning, we all took part in a 'Follow the Leader' Flash Mob dance session joining forces virtually to get active and have some fun.

If you did not have the opportunity to donate today, you can do so by logging onto the Children in Need website where you can also discover some of the ways in which our donations are helping to change young lives.



<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

School Photographs

The deadline for returning your children's photographs is **Monday 16th November**.

Please complete your order online at : www.braiswick.co.uk/orders or return your proof card to the school office.

Thank you.

Road Safety Week

Next week is Road Safety Week. We are encouraging all of you to walk, cycle or scooter to school and leave your cars at home. Children will be working hard to designing and publishing posters and leaflets about safe parking and to highlight the dangers of leaving engines running.



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Tree Planting on the Ball Court

We had a fantastic time planting trees on the ball court this week. Thanks to the amazing fundraising by the PTA and the support of the Mayor of London's Greener City Fund, we now have the start of our new Wildlife Corridor around the ball court. The children were thrilled to be involved with the planting and we had glorious sunshine throughout the day. A huge thank you to Emily Steadman from the PTA who has championed this project from the beginning and has given up huge amounts of her time and commitment to organising and co-ordinating the works. Thank you also to Dot Hallam and Tatiana Hume for their stamina and energy supporting the children with the planting throughout the day.

It will bring more birds and creatures in school and make school greener.

Jake (3C)



The leaves can clean the air so we can breathe better.

Teddy (1S)

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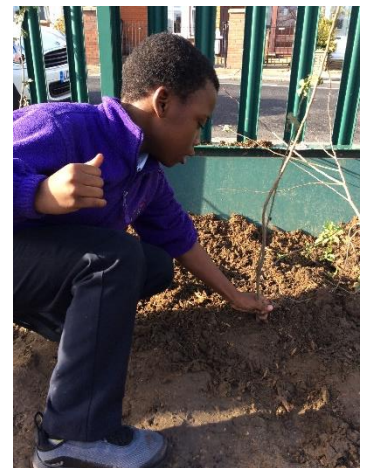


I shared the water bottle to make the trees grow bigger.

Kashvin (1S)

It was really fun. I got to experience something I hadn't done before and it will make school prettier.

Gabby (3C)



It gives us fresh air and oxygen and when you're playing outside next summer, you can find some shade.

Lucas (3C)



Mathletics Challenge Time

Next week, our children will have the opportunity to challenge themselves and compete against other children worldwide in the November Numeracy Challenge from Mathletics. The competition will run between 16th and 22nd of November. Please encourage your children to complete their weekly Mathletics tasks and take part in this online Maths competition throughout the week.



Christmas Giving

As we approach the Christmas period, the children in year 6 have been thinking of a way to spread Christmas cheer during Lockdown 2.0. They would like to collect as many Christmas presents as possible for children who may not have as much as others. Therefore, we need your help to support our project. If you can, please decorate a shoe box with wrapping paper and fill with small gifts, such as: a colouring book, pens, pencils or bubble bath! These gifts do not need to be expensive, just small, thoughtful items, which will brighten up a child's Christmas. Please bring the shoe-box to the office by **Friday 4th December**.



Thank you from year 6

Parent and Carer Skills Survey

At Torridon School we have a great PTA (Parent Teacher Association) who are working hard to organise a wide programme of school events and fundraising activities.

We also have a wonderful parent & carers community with a wide spectrum of skills and talents, so we are keen to capture this information and provide parents with opportunities to participate.

We are asking all parents & carers if they could complete this quick survey so we can update our database of parents & carers skills.

[Click here for the survey](#)

Parent Workshops

Please remember that our parent and carer virtual workshops start this week.

Monday 16th November

Fun With Phonics

4.00pm – Nursery and Reception

5.00pm – Year 1 and Year 2

Remembrance Day Assemblies



We had virtual assemblies on Wednesday to commemorate Armistice Day.

The children in Key Stage One watched the following clip and talked about why we have Remembrance Day.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/poppies>

In Key Stage Two we shared some beautiful art work and a reading of the John Mcrae poem *In Flanders Fields*.

We observed a two minute silence at 11.00 to remember those who died in the wars.

Evelina Hospital Fundraising



Congratulations to Daisy (3J) and Zachary (5W) who have raised over £1,000 for the Evelina Children's Hospital. As a family, they have walked over 1,000 miles to raise the money which will help to support the hospital to continue with the incredible work they do supporting children and young people. We are very proud to have such kind and caring children at Torridon. Well done Zachary and Daisy!

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 14 th – Monday 16 th November	Diwali
Week beginning 16 th November	ROAD SAFETY WEEK
Week beginning 23 rd November	ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
Monday 7 th – Friday 11 th December	Assessment week
Thursday 10 th – Friday 18 th December	Hanukkah
Wednesday 16 th December	Virtual End of Term Performances
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Manda George

Headteacher